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UNIVERSITY SETTLEMENT SOCIETY.

ITS SCOPE OF USEFULNESS BROADENING RAPIDLY.

The report of the University Settlement Society of New-York for the last year shows that the organization, although there was a slight decrease in its receipts for the last twelve months, is in a flourishing condition, and that its scope of usefulness is broadening rapidly.

The total cost of the fine new home and the ground on which the stands is estimated at about \$100,000. The ground cost about \$25,000. Since the beginning of 1908 about \$105,000 has been contributed to the building fund. The treasurer's report shows that there is a balance of \$120 on hand. "While we have every reason to feel satisfied with the financial results of last year," says the treasurer in his report, "we think it necessary to call the attention of the members of this society to the fact that the increased usefulness which this well-adapted and well-appointed Settlement House will enable us to exert, entails not only increased responsibilities toward those who, in ever-increasing numbers, frequent the building, but also increased expenditures."

iversity graduates will avail themselves of the improved opportunities and come down and live and

study here, and that the care of the building, with its numerous living rooms and classrooms, baths, kindergarten, gymnasium, library and assembly hall, will require more and very efficient house service."

He also calls attention to the fact that it is necessary that the number of subscribers, members, associates and fellows of the society be con-

The report contains an interesting review of the educational classes and the clubs of the organization. Contributions to the society should be sent

to James Speyer, the treasurer, No. 30 Broad-st., New-York.

MAJOR AUSTIN ASKED NOT TO RESIGN

It was reported yesterday in National Guard circles that Major Elmore F. Austin, of General Smith's staff, had sent in his resignation. Major Austin was captain of Company L of the First Regiment in the Santiago campaign, and was one of the three officers of the regiment besides Colonel Downs, who were criticized in the report of the Court of Inquiry. It was learned that the resignation had not been offered and declined, and that Major Austin had written the superior that if his presence in the Fifth Brigade staff was embarrassing he would resign. General Smith assured the captain that he would not be so embarrassed by his presence that his presence there was not in the least embarrassing.

FIREPROOF COLLEGE DORMITORIES.

Safety against fire has been kept in view by the Harvard and other colleges. The Dunston, one of the latest additions to the dormitories built at Cambridge, is a fireproof building. Mr. Moore

for students of architecture. Brown & Moore, architects, say the Dunsmuir walls are of brick and stone, its floor and roof of iron beams, filled in solidly between with terra-cotta blocks and concrete. All parts of the building are of terra-cotta, except the surfaces of the stairs. Each set of rooms forms a complete fireproof apartment in itself, but, notwithstanding, each set of stairs leads to each other, and each set of rooms has an outside area. Single suites have one bedroom, double suites two bedrooms. Each set has a bathroom and a steam heat and electricity.

C. H. McDONALD MAY BE PUT BACK.

Until a year ago Clark H. McDonald was superintendent of the Speedway, when President Claussen of the Park Board, who found that the Speedway had to be run at a considerable loss, ordered that the speedway be closed to the public, abolished the place. McDonald at once brought suit in the Supreme Court to see if he had the right to make application for a writ of mandamus to compel his reinstatement. The court granted the writ, and McDonald was put back to his old position.

The trial was finished before Justice McAdam and a jury yesterday after some days' consideration of the case. The judge asked a number of questions to the jury and among other things asked them to answer the question whether it had been proved that McDonald was not a competent person to really manage the track. The jury answered the question negatively. They said it had not.

been necessary to close the driveway to make it serviceable to the public, and that the closing ha

been a mere pretence to get rid of supervisors," McDonald said.

After question put to the jury was whether the closing of the driveway was not merely a ploy for and to cause a riot, McDonald said he was without charge and a trial, so his place could be without this question was answered affirmatively.

question was asked by the jury, McDonald said, "favorable" to McDonald. This ended the case in Justice M. Adam's court. McDonald announced his intention of immediately appealing the decision to the state supreme court to compel the Park Commissioners to reinstate him, the right to make such application having been decided in his favor by the present action.

THE ROUGH RIDERS' REUNION.

East Las Vegas, N. M., May 11.—At a mass meeting of citizens held last night cordial invitations were extended to the Rough Riders to hold

the reunion here on June 24, and any amount of money necessary was pledged for their entertain-

MRS. GREEN ON THE STAND.

Mrs. Hetty Green was called to the witness stand yesterday in the suit brought by John H. Lane, the lawyer, before Judge J. W. Gerald in the Superior court. She was asked to pay \$5,000 for professional services alleged to have been rendered to her by the late John H. Green, and she testified that her services had cancelled in 1886 the assessment on her personal property. Before Mrs. Green was called several lawyers were asked what they thought

would be a fair sum to pay Mr. Lane for the set-
tles he said he had performed for the defendant.

Mrs. Green testified that she first met Mr. Lane on April 5, 1935, when he drew up an affidavit for her. Mr. Lane told her that he wanted to aid her, she said, in getting her personal taxes sworn off. She said that she refused to sign the affidavit but drew up unless he put in black and white what

to me," continued Mrs. Green, " 'Oh, we are such

good friends, your husband and I, and I won't charge anything." Lane further said that she had married a Vermont man, Mrs. Green, "and that as our house, our furniture and our cemetery were in Vermont, I should not be liable for anything in New York."

She denied that she had assaulted Mr. Lane. When an agreement was drawn up with Mr. Lane as to what he was to receive for the assault, she refused to sign it. She later dismissed the case. Mr. Lane from the case, she testified, and retaining another lawyer.

Mr. Phelps, a clerk in the Chemical National Bank also testified. He said that the story about Mrs. Green assaulting Mr. Lane was absurd. He said that he had been called to the scene by word to the conversation between her and the plaintiff at the meeting on April 6, 1896.

PAIN, OIL AND VARNISH CLUB ELECTION

The Paint, Oil and Varnish Club held its twelfth annual meeting last night at the Down Town Club on 60 Pine-st. Before the meeting the club enjoyed its sixty-sixth dinner. Runyon Bryant, the president, was in the chair and about forty members were present. There was no opposition to the

election of this ticket: President, W. H. Andrews
vice-president, S. V. V. Huntington; secretary and

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